

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application Of:

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Examiner Michener:

This communication responds to the Office Action mailed on July 12, 2006.

Accompanying this communication is a 37 CFR §1.131 Declaration.